

REMARKS

Present Status of the Application

Claims 1-10 are pending of which claims 1-10 have been amended to more clearly describe the claimed invention. More specifically, the limitations of claim 4 have been incorporated into claim 1, and the amendments can also be fully supported by Figures 3 and 4. Therefore, it is believed that no new matter adds by way of amendments made to claims or otherwise to the application. For at least the following reason, Applicant respectfully submits that claims 1-10 are in proper condition for allowance and reconsideration of this application is respectfully requested.

Objection To Specification

The Office Action objected to the title of the invention because the title of the invention is not descriptive.

In response thereto, Applicant has amended the title of the invention. Reconsideration is respectfully requested.

Objection To Claims

The Office Action objected to claim 10 because of the following informalities: in claim 10, line 2, the word "isolating" should be "insulating". Appropriate correction is required.

In response thereto, Applicant would like to thank the Examiner for pointing out the informalities and accordingly amended claim 10. After entry of the amendments to claim 10, it is believed that the above objections can be overcome. Reconsideration is respectfully requested.

Claim Rejection under 35 USC 102

1. *The Office Action rejected claims 1-10 under 35 U.S.C. 102(b) as being anticipated by Greene et al. (US-3,341,916, hereinafter Greene).*

Applicant respectfully disagrees and traverses the above rejections as follows. The proposed amended independent claim 1 is allowable for at least the reason that Greene substantially fails to teach or disclose every features of the proposed amended independent claim 1. More specifically, Greene substantially fails to teach or disclose an electroluminescent display device comprising at least "a reflective layer, formed on the luminescent layer" as required by claim 1. Instead, Greene substantially teaches an insulating layer (3) comprised of barium titanate on the luminescent layer (2) for preventing shorting between the electrodes 4 and 5 (please see col. 3, lines 53-63).

Accordingly, Greene cannot meet claim 1 in this regard. Therefore, Greene cannot possibly anticipate claim 1 in this regard and therefore should be allowed.

Furthermore, Greene also substantially fails to teach or disclose at least "a patterned conductive layer, adhered onto the insulating layer, electrically connecting the contact holes, wherein the patterned conductive layer comprises a plurality of lead legs", as required by the proposed amended claim 1. The advantage of this structure is that at least the penetration of the atmospheric moisture into the electroluminescent display device can be effectively reduced and thereby promote the service life of the electroluminescent display device.

Instead, Greene substantially teaches, in Figure 3, a plurality of conductive leads 7a, 8a, 9a, 10a, 11a and 12a for connecting the back electrode sections through the holes 15 of the insulating layer 14. In other words, Greene substantially fails to teach or disclose at least "a patterned conductive layer, adhered onto the insulating layer, electrically connecting the contact holes, wherein the patterned conductive layer comprises a plurality of lead legs", as required by the proposed amended claim 1, and therefore cannot possibly anticipate claim 1 in this regard.

For at least the foregoing reasons, Applicant respectfully submits that claims 1-10 patently define over Greene, and therefore should be allowed. Reconsideration and withdrawal of these rejections is respectfully requested.

CONCLUSION

For at least the foregoing reasons, it is believed that all the pending claims 1-10 of the present application are in proper condition for allowance. If the Examiner believes that a telephone conference would expedite the examination of the above-identified patent application, the Examiner is invited to call the undersigned.

Respectfully submitted

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